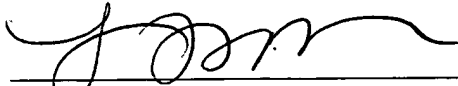




PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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Applicant : Robert W. Pike, Jr., et al. Confirmation No. 2571
Application No. : 10/694,118
Filed : October 27, 2003
Title : METHOD FOR ABLATING WITH NEEDLE ELECTRODE

Grp./Div. : 3739
Examiner : Rosiland Stacie Rollins

Docket No. : 50160/W112

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May 16, 2006

Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated December 16, 2005 for two month(s) from March 16, 2006 to May 16, 2006.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 60	\$ 120	\$
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 225	\$ 450	\$450.00
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 510	\$ 1020	\$
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$ 795	\$1590	\$
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$1080	\$2160	\$

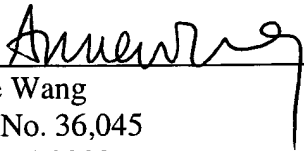
Submitted herewith is a check for \$450.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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